



Cattle on Feed Report

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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.43 million head on May 1, 2014, down 4 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down 3 percent from the April 1, 2014 level. Producers placed 420 thousand head in commercial feedlots during April, down 3 percent from a year ago and down 11 percent from March.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 480 thousand head during April, up 4 percent from 2013 and up 12 percent from March.

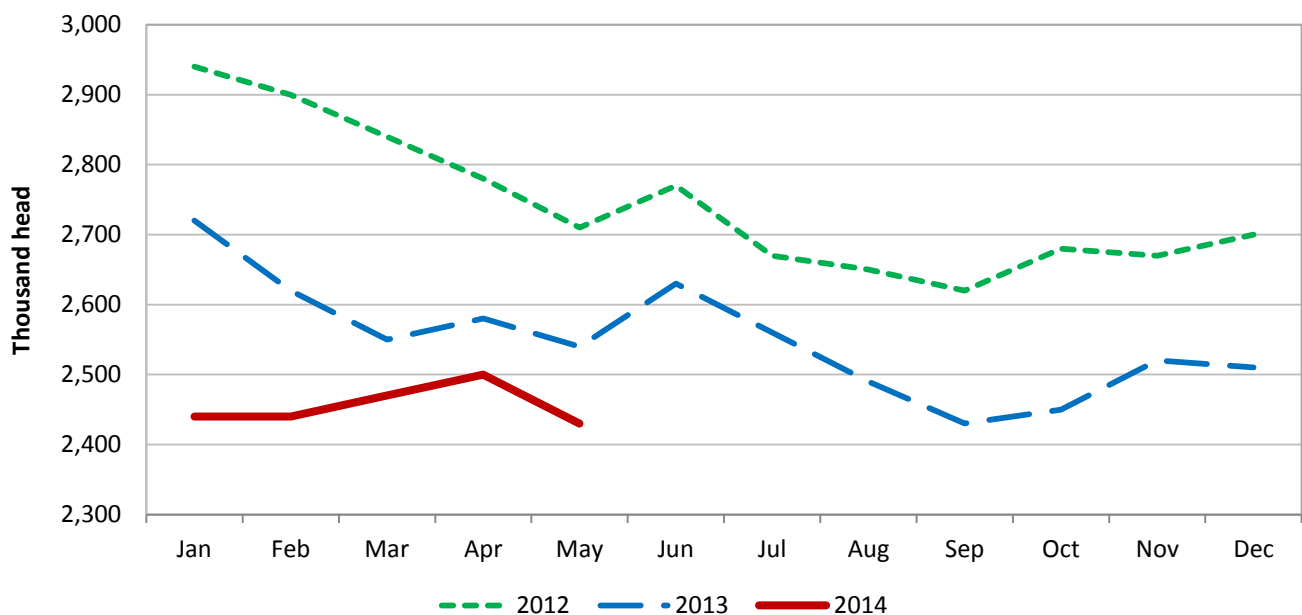
On May 1, there were 2.14 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 88 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was down 3 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the April 1 total.

April placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 370 thousand head, down 13 percent from the March total. Marketings were up 9 percent from last month at 412 thousand head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.6 million head on May 1, 2014. This inventory was down 1 percent from May 1, 2013.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.64 million head, 5 percent below April 2013. April placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 385 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 255 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 396 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 600 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.78 million head, 2 percent below 2013.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory



Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots										
State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed April 1		Placed on feed during April		Marketed during April		Other Disappearance during April		On feed May 1	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona	278	277	26	26	28	25	1	1	275	277
California	485	475	62	57	49	67	3	15	495	450
Colorado	980	970	140	130	150	130	10	10	960	960
Idaho	215	210	33	32	36	26	2	1	210	215
Iowa	630	670	89	69	97	76	2	3	620	660
Kansas	2,100	2,090	335	325	350	385	15	20	2,070	2,010
Minnesota	133	136	16	16	18	13	1	1	130	138
Nebraska	2,430	2,500	440	420	460	415	10	15	2,400	2,490
Oklahoma	305	275	51	43	60	62	1	1	295	255
South Dakota	230	240	26	28	30	30	1	3	225	235
Texas	2,580	2,500	435	420	460	480	15	10	2,540	2,430
Washington	233	210	26	35	35	36	4	1	220	208
Other States	325	320	41	35	42	33	4	2	320	320
United States	10,924	10,873	1,720	1,636	1,815	1,778	69	83	10,760	10,648

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots										
State	During April									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado	20	25	35	25	40	35	45	45	140	130
Kansas	55	60	50	50	90	90	140	125	335	325
Nebraska	70	65	70	65	105	95	195	195	440	420
Texas	140	140	65	70	115	110	115	100	435	420
Other States	85	95	50	45	90	66	145	135	370	341
United States	370	385	270	255	440	396	640	600	1,720	1,636

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, May 1, 2013-14			
Item	Number		Percent of previous year
	2013	2014	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	
On feed April 1 ¹	10,924	10,873	100
Placed on feed during April	1,720	1,636	95
Fed cattle marketed during April	1,815	1,778	98
Other disappearance during April ²	69	83	120
On feed May 1 ¹	10,760	10,648	99

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District								
Cattle and Calves	District 1-N	District 1-S	District 2-N	District 7	District 8-N	District 10-N	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
On feed April 1, 2014 ¹	2,187	145	30	13	32	55	38	2,500
Placed on feed during April	370	24	6	2	5	8	5	420
Fed cattle marketed during April	412	38	6	2	6	10	6	480
Other disappearance during April ²	7	2	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed May 1, 2014 ¹	2,138	129	30	13	31	52	37	2,430

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